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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Router's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH TROOPS IN NORTH-RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 5.
British official news from Murmansk says reinforcements of infantry and marines have been rapidly moved down the railway line in the anticipation of fighting in the bud a mutinous tendency amongst the Finnish troops forming part of General Maynard's forces. The object of the reinforcements is believed to be to effect a junction with the Bolsheviks.

Archangel reports that the situation is unchanged so far. The Bolsheviks have not resumed attacks after their recent disastrous failure. ANOTHER BOLSHIEVIST REVERSE.

LONDON, April 4.
The Bolsheviks attacked two days ago, without artillery, on the Archangel front in the neighbourhood of Bolshoiyok just west of the railway. They were beaten off with a fair amount of loss. The Allied losses were slight.

BOLSHIEVIST REVERSE.

LONDON, April 6.
Another official report to-day says that after a night bombardment, the enemy yesterday morning attacked positions near Shredmerhesga. The attack was repulsed with heavy enemy loss. We took prisoner 100 men, including a Bolshevik battalion commander. We suffered no casualties on our side.

FINNISH MUTINY FINISHED.

LONDON, April 7.
From Murmansk an official British message on April 5 announces an improvement in the state of affairs at Kandalaksha. The mere announcement of reinforcements en route and other military preparations overawed the leaders of the mutinous Finns, the Karelians and the Bolsheviks who were planning a rising on a large scale. The leaders of the Finnish legion signed an agreement to comply in future with the wishes of the general officer commanding.

STEAMERS IN COLLISION.

LONDON, April 1.
The Clari liner *Clan Macbeolan* collided with the British steamer *Sikden* off the South Foreland to-day. Both were seriously damaged, but the *Clan Macbeolan* was able to proceed to London.

POLAND AND DANZIG.

LONDON, April 4.
Well-informed British circles in Paris consider that the Polish question is practically settled on the basis of Danzig becoming a free self-governing city, probably under nominal Polish control. As regards the "corridor", it is thought that part of west Prussia will be given to the Poles and that a plebiscite will be taken in East Prussia.

LONDON, April 4.
With regard to the negotiations at Spa about the landing of Polish troops at Danzig, it is semi-officially stated that Herr Erzberger proposed that troops be sent from Lunenburg across Germany.

FOR FRANCE.

LLOYD GEORGE TALKS.

LONDON, April 4.
Interviewed by the *Petit Parisien*, Mr. Lloyd George declared that Britain would always remain the faithful ally of France. The British did not come to fight on the side of the French in order that France might enjoy relative peace for a certain fixed period; they desired that France should possess complete security in the future. Britain did not regret her sacrifices in the war and was ready to make them again if necessary to assure the peace and independence of France.

EGYPT.

LONDON, April 4.
Cairo reports on March 27 that the native leaders appealed to the Egyptians to abstain from outrages and keep within the law, not to place obstacles in the way of those lawfully serving the country. They also appealed to do all in their power to prevent anything that may lead to the injury of the country. This appeal was spread broadcast by aeroplanes.

FOOD REACHES GERMANY.

LONDON, April 4.
The first food consignments have reached the Ruhr district. Considerable quantities are to be distributed among the miners who are now working.

INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA.

SOME INDUCEMENTS.

LONDON, April 4.
Reuter learns that a telegram from Omsk reports the discovery of gold-bearing reefs near the source of the river Angara. Also that the river Tiumen 300 miles from Yakutsk contains much alluvial gold.

MUTINOUS GERMAN REGIMENT.

LONDON, April 4.
Copenhagen learns from Berlin that in consequence of the Augusta Regiment raising conversion into an imperial defence force, and repeatedly showing its untrustworthiness, the military authorities took firm measures towards disarming it, including the encirclement of the barracks and the bringing up of artillery, and the posting of machine-guns in commanding positions. The regiment then gave up its arms.

ITALIAN TRANSPORT HITS MINE.

LONDON, April 4.
Paris reports that an Italian transport on the way from Venice to Tripoli, with 2,000 people aboard, struck a mine. Several were killed and 100 were injured.

GERMAN AUSTRIA.

LONDON, April 4.
Berlin reports that the French Envoy Extraordinary to German Austria, interviewed at Vienna, said that German Austria will be included in the League of Nations.

PARIS CONFERENCE.

LONDON, April 4.
Commissions of British, French, and American experts have been appointed by the Council of Four to draft settlements of which the general principles have been agreed upon. One commission is drafting a settlement regarding the economic exploitation of the Sarre basin by France and the military neutralisation of the Rhenish territories. A second commission, British, including the Hon. E. S. Montagu, is undertaking the same duties with regard to reparations. The Council of Four will resume the discussion of both matters on the basis of their reports.

VIEWS AND NEWS BY "HAYAS."

CHINA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, April 6.
The indications of China's resolution to break all political and economical fetters culminated in a long communication issued by the Chinese peace delegation, at Paris calling for the nullification of the famous 21 demands, and for the abrogation of the forced Japanese notes and treaties of 1915 as being incompatible with the principles of the League of Nations. China claims complete autonomy and liberty to direct her own destiny. The delegates point to irredentism raising its head in Korea, Manchuria, and Shantung.
["Irredentism" is a word coined from the Italian word for "unredeemed." The reference is to peoples of a certain race, usually speaking the language of that race, living under a foreign government, as many Italians lived under Austria. We do not think it can fairly be applied by the Chinese to the Koreans.—Ed. C.M.]

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, April 1.
Silver is quoted 49 9/16. The market is quiet.

MERCANTILE BANK DIVIDEND.

The local manager of the Mercantile Bank has received a telegram from the London Office advising that at the meeting of the shareholders of the Bank, which was to be held on 4th inst. a final dividend for the year 1918 of 8% would be declared (making 14% for the year). £50,000 was to be transferred to Reserve Fund bringing it up to £700,000, and the sum of £85,700 was to be carried forward.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Router's Service to the China Mail.)

PARIS CONFERENCE.

LLOYD GEORGE ADVISES PATIENCE.

PARIS, April 6th.
A Havas message states:—Mr. Lloyd George, interviewed by the French Press, begged the public to give the "Big Four" another fortnight's credit. That was not too much for those who assumed the gigantic task of rebuilding the old world. An agreement would soon be reached, he said, on every question concerning Germany.

FRENCH BECOMING SATISFIED.

PARIS, April 6th.
A Havas message states:—The French Press, generally, is becoming more optimistic. They state that the Supreme War Council has reached a decision as regards the military neutralisation of the left bank of the Rhine, and the cession to France of territorial rights over the Saar coal mines.

INDEMNITIES.

PARIS, April 6th.
A Havas message states:—Regarding reparations, the French papers allege that out of every year's contribution by Germany, France will get 50 per cent. This annual payment will vary in amount each year, the exact sum being fixed by experts every twelve months.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM FOR INDIA.

LONDON, April 1st.
A meeting held to-day by non-official members of the House of Commons was disposed to assist the passage of the Bill for Indian constitutional reforms on general lines.

A Committee was formed consisting of Sir J. D. Rees, (Chairman), T. J. Bennett, (Secretary), Arthur Murray, J. O'Grady, Lieut. Col. Godfrey Collins, Sir Henry Hoare, and G. A. Ormsby-Gore. The meeting resolved to afford delegations from India opportunities to state their views.

SILVER.

New York, April 1st.
Silver to the value of two millions of dollars has been shipped to India.

HERO KING FLIES HOME.

PARIS, April 6th.
The King of the Belgians left for Brussels by aeroplane. He is satisfied with the impressions received.

CHINESE TEACHERS WANTED.

In calling attention to a new advertisement in to-day's issue, we say that the Principal of the Chinese-English School of Java wants two men who are keen on out-door association with the pupils, sports, mountain climbing, fishing, entomology—that sort of thing. Good manners are also important. There are eleven other Chinese masters, so the new ones will not be lonesome.

FREIGHT AGREEMENT.

The China homeward freight Conference notifies shippers of the following rates and conditions on the freight tariff dated February, 1919.
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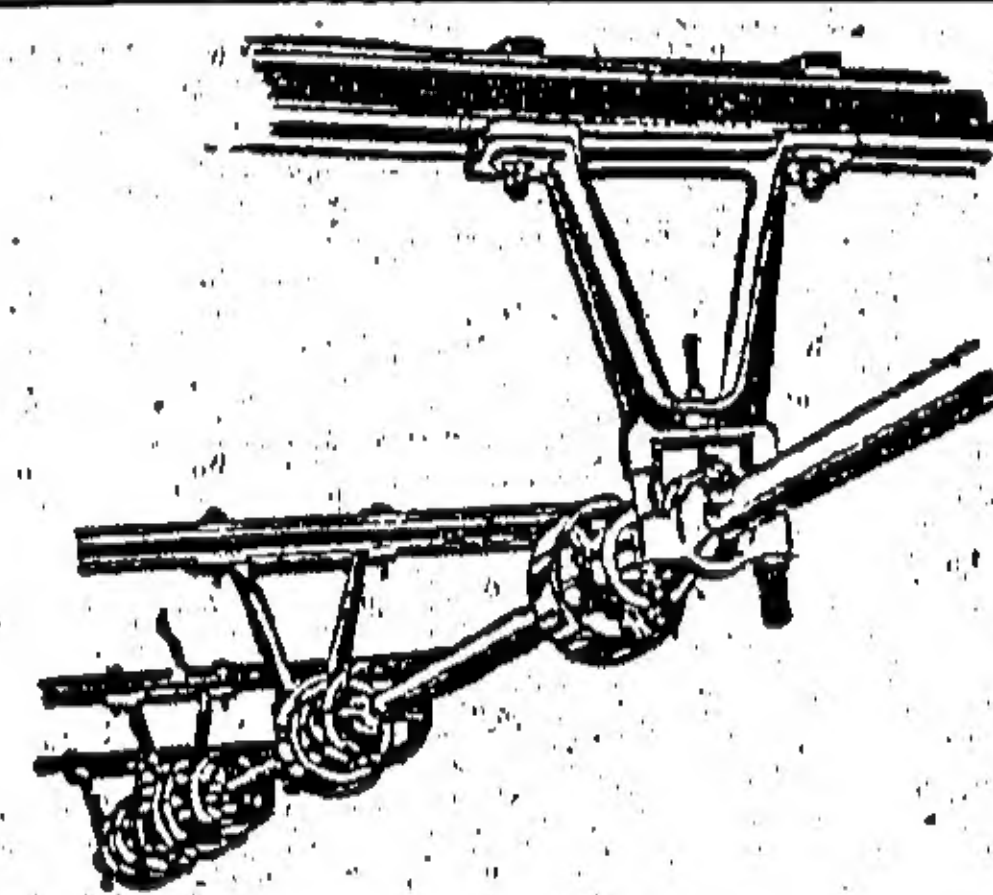
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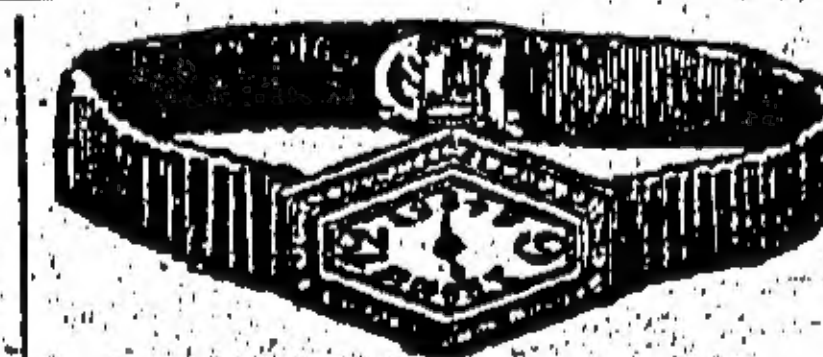
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his followers against the Govern-
ment: Mr. T. Thompson, Mr. S.
Lord, Colonel Wedgwood, Mr. S.
Smith, Mr. C. P. White, Mr. J.
Hodge, and Mr. G. Thorne. Six
of the seven Nationalist members
went into the same lobby as the
our party.

Sir John Simon arranged to address a dinner of the Eighty Club on the League of Nations at the National Liberal Club. Mr. Cecil Bechet is also to take part, and Mr. Nathaniel Mickleton, the chairman of the Eighty Club Executive Committee, will preside. It is hoped that this gathering will signalise a resumption of the Club's activities, and to the suspension of which there has been a growing restiveness among the general body of members.

The unfortunate personal questions which temporarily caused a want of unity among Liberals are now much regarded by the younger men, who are more concerned with the future of Liberalism than with its past, and desire to see some concerted effort to focus Liberal influence upon the development of public affairs.

TERRITORIAL OFFICERS

According to Army Demobilisation Regulations, paragraph 830 (H), Territorial Force officers who have held acting rank for six months or over are permitted to retain that rank if they retire on demobilisation. Should such officers elect to remain in the Force, however, they must revert to their substantive rank. This means that many officers who are holding acting ranks of major or lieutenant-colonel will have to revert to lieutenant, which will result in many valuable officers being lost to the Force, for an officer may retire now as lieutenant-colonel, whereas if he remains he might serve another 20 years and never reach that rank. There is certainly the same old need for a

Who will be the first president of the League of Nations? There is already a good deal of speculation on this interesting subject, and many active believers in the League, both American and British, are hoping that it will be possible for President Wilson himself to fill that great position. It is pointed out that Mr. Wilson will reach the end of his second term as President next year. It is extremely unlikely that he will stand for the Presidency a third time. That would be against all tradition. Mr. Roosevelt, if he had been elected, would probably have run for President again, and in that case Mr. Wilson might have followed his example in breaking with precedent and come forward in reply to Mr. Roosevelt's challenge to his world-policy. The fitness of Mr. Wilson to become the chief executive officer of the League is too obvious to need any argument. Presumably the president of the League will be elected by the representatives of the Great Powers.

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THOUGHTS ON GRAMMAR.

[The proprietors of the *China Mail* have no objection to the free use of the following article for strictly educational purposes at the University.]

Brought up, as the phrase is, to employ the plural form of the verb "to be" in any subjunctive sentence, we disliked very much to find modern grammarians saying that "were" or "was" is optional in that mood.

[This article isn't really going to be as dry as it threatens. Let the reader persevere.]

They have no right, we cried, to tinker with the Law. Then, simmering down, as we often do, we reminded ourselves that grammatical law, like some lawyers' law, is a matter of usage. The newest grammar does not set up a new law so much as it records a change of usage.

Whereupon, if you please, our mental machinery slipped a cog and began to buzz like this.

Language is an organic thing. It grows. It has its processes of accretion and excretion. What we call grammar is, as the dictionary says, an account of the language spoken and written by educated men. Now comes a question like that one about the hen and the egg. Which came first, the educated men or the grammarians who educate them? Suppose that Lindley Murray's grammar was the first authority, and that it correctly set forth the usage of the educated men of its period. Do the educated men of this period abide by Lindley Murray? No. Why? When and by what right did the first depositories take place? Educated men would not originate them, because they demonstrate their education by loyalty to the educational laws, by being always correct. To alter the usage, as laid down by Lindley Murray, some bad grammar must have been used. To become good grammar it had to become the usage.

(In passing, let us say we are not acquainted with that smirking pedant who says that grammar, like beer, is always good. We must not speak of "bad grammar," he says, because if it be bad it cannot be grammar. The analysis on which we are engaged shows him to be quite wrong there.)

If grammar is usage, bad usage (such as that of the first innovators after Lindley Murray) must be bad grammar, until it has prevailed long enough (an undefined period) to be established as good usage, and crystallized in the latest authority as good grammar.

[Lector: You are getting dry again. Auctor: Sorry. The fun is coming soon now. We're nearly there.]

The newest authority, the author of the latest accepted grammar, has automatically legitimized these "sports," as Darwin might call them, and converted them (without changing them) from heretics to the status of those "educated men" whose usage we recognize as good grammar. Survivors of the Lindley Murray or some intermediate school will sneer at them (as we were doing at the journalistic misusers of the Subjunctive) and call them "semi-literates" or something equally rude.

But they needn't mind. They are within the law.

Having thus discovered that grammar is a fraud, since its orthodoxy is got by a perniciolous absorption of heterodoxy, we determined to respect it less in future, and to say "it's me" as other people do. (Very few say "it's I" at a bedroom door, and it is better not to admit those who do.)

There's a grammatical authority named James Baker, mentioned by Mark Twain, who said:

"There's no bird, or cow or anything that uses as good grammar as a blue jay. You may say a cat uses good grammar. Well, a cat does; you let a cat get excited, once; you let a cat get to pulling fur with another cat on a shed, night, and you will hear grammar that will give you the lockjaw. Ignorant people think it's the no-t-s-a which fighting cats make that is so aggravating, but it ain't so; it's the sickening grammar they use. Now I've never heard a jay use bad grammar but very seldom; and when they do, they are ashamed as a human."

That recalls the fact that George Rye, refers to students of the most uncouth speech, and cringing the most uncouth literature in Europe. Well, George Borrow, never was the authority on languages that he pretended to be. He was a mere snatterer. There is no harm in snattering if it be done scientifically, with some grasp of the elements of all language. German is not

so uncouth as it looks. It sounds really sweet as it looks. It sounds sweet in some of the folk-songs. The trouble with the German language is its awful grammar. Ordinary people think the Germans were vicious and brutal and depraved, wilfully wicked. It wasn't so. They were merely suffering from grammatical constipation. The German script, about which the Hollanders and Swiss have been arguing, is a criminal breach of aesthetics not amounting to murder, but the German grammar is a deadly sin. When Mark Twain quarrelled with German verbs, he erred, as do now those critics who find fault with the noisy way the Germans have of eating. A German might eat with both feet in the trough if he would only agree to fight like a man and less like a cornered rat. Well, they admit themselves that they were under the influence of Kultur, and we are going to let that Kultur be. It has never before been properly explained. It is a branch of German grammar. It is a sign and a proof that the genius of Germany lies in the line of Altering Usage. It has become a habit. They spread it from grammar to diplomacy, to warfare, to religion, to business. The moment a German sees a usage he years to alter it. Just as we saw that grammar was a fruit of usage-alteration, so we now see that German conduct hangs from the same tree. This teaches us that it is our duty to pity the Germans rather than to blame them. You will drop a tear for an unlucky race that went from bad to worse, from grammar to garrulosity, from a supercilious syntax to cynicism and sin. You will be charitable enough to say, "There, but for English grammarians go I." To know all is to forgive some. You will remember that the damnation of Germany was born of its damnable grammar.

PROFITEERING LANDLORDS.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock thinks that Hongkong house tenants require protection against greedy landlords. So does the *China Mail*, which is accumulating a dossier on the subject. The *China Mail*, however, does not think, as Mr. Pollock does, that the mischief is confined to "lower class Chinese and middle-class Europeans." At least, not if we take him correctly. If, as we suppose, we are all middle-class Europeans here (for we have no aristocracy and no proletariat) then the statement is not so far amiss.

What happened in some cases was that the landlords came from somewhere outside the Colony—were not born in the Colony—and bought a house let at a certain rent and, after screwing up the rent to a higher figure, got rid of the house, when the time was ripe, at a great profit. If it could be shown that that sort of thing existed to a considerable extent some measures should be taken to stop it. It was not only an injustice to the unfortunate tenants who had to pay rents out of proportion to their means, but it was bad for the Government when they found it necessary to acquire land for public purposes.

It would be very interesting if one could get reliable returns showing to what extent rents had been raised in the more sought-after districts of Victoria and Kowloon since, say, January 1st, 1918. Of course, it would be difficult for anybody to get complete information on the subject, but even comparatively complete information would be very illuminating in more ways than one.

If readers of the *China Mail* will send in this information, we will see that it is usefully employed without betraying them in any way. Address of property, name of landlord, previous and present rent, and the date when the increase took place—that is all that need be sent.

A HOUSING PROBLEM.

So much has been said and written of late about the housing question, that it might be reasonably surmised that wherever possible efforts are being made to remedy the present scarcity of housing accommodation. Nothing of the kind. As a matter of fact, there appears considerable dilatoriness in some cases where there is opportunity to speed up building operations. One case readily presents itself. In the first week in August last year, a distressing accident, attended with loss of life, occurred in Morrison Hill Road. A couple of big rocks fell from Morrison Hill and partly demolished a number of houses. Some were not much damaged and were soon made fit for habitation again. On the other hand, six months have elapsed, while the rocks have been cleared, the rebuilding has not commenced. For months past the pathway has been filled with bricks, barricaded, and covered with attractive posters of a popular picture theatre. Admitted that it takes some time to remove a couple of mighty rocks, but six months! And there isn't any active work apparent even now. There they stand, half a dozen skeleton houses, with just the front walls standing, the rest a wreck. Those houses should have been rebuilt and occupied long since, because they are the very type of house which is most in demand, within the means, that is to say, of those most in need of homes. Somebody ought to get these houses put in order without any further delay.

BOLSHIEVISM IN HONGKONG.

The hymn "Man Wants But Little Here Below" is not true of Hongkong. Our people, spurred on by our suggestion that they should make suggestions to the War Memorial Committee, also by, in some cases, that feeling that things aren't right and something ought to be done about it, are rapidly becoming Bolsheviki. Bolshevism, in the final analysis, is merely a desire for Utopia. One way and another they have compiled a long list of things for the new Governor to see to when he comes. *Inter alia*, as the lawyers say, they want More and Cheaper Houses to live in, and new Hospitals at Kowloon and Victoria, and Protection against Profiteers, and a new Lunatic Asylum (urgently) and More and Better Roads, and a Speed Limit, and a Playground for Peaky Children, and an Aerodrome and a Powerful Wireless Installation and a Bridge over the Harbour and a Complete Police Telephone System and More Police to use it and a Bandstand in Statue Square and a Child Welfare Scheme and Kismas and Kismas Posters to be Censored (but please not the newspapers) and several Public Clocks and the Harbour to be dredged and deepened and more Wharves and Better Railway Connections and another Statue or two and some ornamental Iron railings and a Better Government and a new Constitution, and—"mother will pay you on Saturday," so to speak, which here means that father will sign a chit for it. Poor Governor! Who would not pity him? It bears our old Juvenalian friend *Panem et circenses* into a cocked hat, and, as we have said, is practically Bolshevism.

ROMAN NUMERALS.

Has anyone ever before pointed out the error in the huge inscription over the Supreme Court? A *China Mail* man happened to notice it last night, while peering to see if Justice really is blind. The inscription is:

ERECTED MDCCCXX.

This is intended for 1910. The correct Roman way of representing 1910 would have been:

MCMX.

The principle as we were taught it about forty years ago is very simple. Any symbol of less value preceding a symbol of greater value is subtracted. Succeeding ones are added. The familiar clock figures illustrate it. One from ten equals IX. One added to ten equals XI. So in the inscription now criticised, one hundred (C) subtracted from one thousand (M) would have left CM or 900. No one will deny, we suppose, that MCMX looks nearer than MDCCCXX. In any case, the Romans would have regarded the seven-letter version as wrong. It is as if in the Arabic system we were to write for 1910 "19 100's & 1 10", or, more exactly, 1000+500+100+100+100+100. It is a pity that we weren't consulted, isn't it before it was "carved in imperishable stone" on such a scale and so prominently.

PASTICHE.

Some little time ago we intimated that the Hongkong Government, in dealing with a certain question, intended taking steps which, it was considered, would tend to ameliorate to a very considerable extent the conditions which was desirable should be alleviated. Long before this, the Government, in Legislative Council, had intimated quite frankly that the conditions were such that something would have to be done. Subsequent references in Council indicated that the Government had the matter under consideration, that it had already paid it some attention, and that still further contemplation was considered probable.

STOWAWAYS.

Five Foochow Chinese were this morning charged before Mr. Lindsell with attempting to stow away on board the s.s. *Haiyang*. Sergeant Thompson said that the Singapore authorities had requested the local police to take steps to prevent stowaways from getting into the Straits Settlements. In accordance with instructions received, he searched the ships in the harbour and in the coal bunker of the s.s. *Haiyang*, he found the five men now charged. The prisoners pleaded that they had meant to pay passages, but on their arrival here they had the misfortune to gamble away all their money. \$50 fine or, in default, 4 weeks' hard labour.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

LADIES' SECTION.

Mr. Ritchie has kindly presented a Cup to be played for over the Relief Course at Fanling during the Easter holidays April 18, 19, 20 and 21. Electric Competition, 9 holes match play, 3 of handicaps. Any number of cards may be taken, but

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today's dollar is worth 3s. 3 11/16d.

Mr. R. E. O. Bird, M.A., of the Education Department of the local Government Service is shortly leaving for home.

To-day's return of communicable disease shows two cases of plague, one of diphtheria, one of enteric, one of puerperal fever, and one of smallpox.

The Far Eastern Traveller's Guide is a beautifully printed journal full of useful information and interesting pictures. It is published quarterly, by Thomas Cook & Son. No. 2 of vol. 5 is out now.

A debate on Is-Newspaper Reading a Necessity? was recently held at Singapore. In the case of the *China Mail*, Hongkong is learning to consider it a luxury. Excuse us for mentioning it.

A Chinese who was charged with the theft of three pounds of rubber from the Tai Kok Docks, was convicted by Mr. Orme and sentenced to one month's hard labour and four hours' stocks outside the dock gates in lieu of the last day.

Mr. A. McKirdy, secretary of the V.R.C., has gone home on leave. He left by the *Persia Maru*, and expects to pay visits in Canada and in Pennsylvania on his way. "Uncle" Mitchell acts as secretary to the V.R.C., pending the expected return of former secretary Wittichell.

Mr. Herbert Welham, editor of the *Straits Echo*, who passed through here recently, wrote to Penang to say the voyage to Hongkong benefited his health, but as he found the Isle of Fragrant Streams very chilly, muggy and foggy he was leaving for Japan sooner than originally intended.

A small fire broke out at 5.45 this morning in the ground floor of No. 28 Pokfulam Road. The cause of the outbreak is attributed to joss sticks, which were burning on the staircase. The conflagration was put out by the inmates of the house and the police, and the damage is estimated at \$20.

A Tablet to the memory of the late Lance-Sergeant Linfield of the R.N. Police who was shot while on duty last November, has been erected at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. It will be unveiled on Sunday next at the 11 a.m. Service by Commodore Gurrier. The preacher on the occasion will be the Bishop of the Diocese.

Evidently the Manchester Regiment, Singapore, possess as good cricketers as the regiment here. Playing recently against the Miners, Prime and Done bowled all the Narymen out for 31. Prime took 6 wickets for 7 runs and Done 4 for 6. The Manchester's innings realised 63, of which Goodman, Carment and Holden each scored 11.

The Dockyard Recreation Club held a whist drive in the Dockyard last night. Regardless of the "close" atmosphere a large number attended. After an enjoyable set of games, for which Mr. H. Budden acted as M.C., prizes were handed to the winners. These were: Ladies; 1st, Mrs. Collins; 2nd, Mrs. Fooks; 3rd, Mrs. Sears. Gentlemen; 1st, Mr. Thompson; 2nd, Mr. Bower; 3rd, Mr. Matthews.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

ORDER ISSUED BY MR. J. W. FRANKS D.S.P.R.

UNIFORM.

White uniform will be taken into wear between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. as from the 10th inst.

FIRE ON S.S. "SUI YANG."

A fire broke out at 9.30 a.m. yesterday, in the port bunker of the s.s. *Sui Yang* lying at No. 1 wharf, Kowloon. The fire broke out when the ship was being loaded with coal. The fire was extinguished by the godown staff. There was no damage done although some coal had been consumed by the fire.

ARRIVAL HOME OF H.M.S. "EURYALUS."

The *China Mail* learns that H.M.S. *Euryalus* arrived home safely on March 31. The *Euryalus*, an old cruiser, was being converted into a minelayer at the Naval Dockyard here when the signing of the Armistice was announced. Work on her was suspended and after a time a crew arrived from England to take her to Devonport. It will be remembered that the first batch of military for demobilization went home on this vessel which left here on February 8.

THE FRUIT SEASON.

POWELL & COY. is here to be present at the fruit season. Be sure to keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand. It may save a life. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

COMPANY MEETING.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

An extraordinary general meeting of this society was held at Queen's Buildings at noon to-day. The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak was in the chair and there were also present the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Messrs. W. L. Pattenden, A. O. Lang, J. A. Plummer, Ross Thompson, A. Forbes (directors), Mr. C. Montague Edwards (general manager) and Messrs. C. P. Hay, H. M. H. Nemazee, A. Nemazee, R. A. Dastur, H. P. White, G. W. Barton, P. M. Hodgson, J. M. P. da Silva, Ho Leung, R. A. Kotewall, E. Ormiston, H. W. L. Dowbiggin, J. B. Thomson, J. Cochrane, D. B. Murray, W. R. Mansfield, the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook and Major D. Macdonald.

The meeting was called for the purpose of passing the resolutions which have been printed several times in the *China Mail*.

In proposing their adoption the Hon. Mr. Holyoak said: Gentlemen! Over a month has elapsed since the circular announcing your Directors' recommendation that the Society's capital be converted from Silver to Gold, and before asking you to vote upon the Resolutions which are to-day before you, I would like, with your permission, to explain our reasons for asking you to take so important a step involving as it does so drastic a change in the constitution of your Society.

As you are aware the society was established in 1835 to operate solely in these waters. As time went on Branch Offices were opened in China, Japan and London, and the natural development which followed led to the establishment of Branches in the Straits Settlements, Australia and India. In recent years we have increased our branch representation in these countries, and have opened up further offices of our own at one or more places in Canada, New Zealand, the Argentine and the Dutch East Indies.

As a result of this expansion the Society's business is transacted to a very large extent in Gold, the earning of our Silver profits being confined solely to this Colony and to China.

Our constituents in the various parts of the world, when satisfying themselves as to the security offered by the Society's policies, naturally turn to our Annual Balance Sheet, and by presenting it in Gold alone, we are using a currency which now more properly represents our worldwide operations.

In order to bring about the conversion it has been necessary to apply to the Hongkong Government for a special enactment. Ordinance No. 4 of 1919 cited as The Union Insurance Society of Canton Limited (Capital Conversion) Ordinance 1919 has been passed and assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, and the conversion become effective upon the confirmation of the Resolutions which you are to-day being asked to pass.

I will now deal with that part of the Resolution increasing our Authorised Capital to £2,000,000. In recent years the Society's Capital has twice been increased, firstly upon our amalgamation with the China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., since renamed the British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., and secondly upon our amalgamation with the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

The expense and labour in increasing Capital is by no means inconsiderable and your Directors feel, therefore, that advantage should be taken of the Meetings called to bring about the conversion to also arrange the increase. By so doing the Capital of the Society will compare favourably with its competitors in various parts of the world, and we shall be in a better position to arrange further amalgamations, should opportunities present themselves and they are deemed desirable.

Upon the confirmation of the Resolutions, each share of a nominal value of \$250 will be automatically transferred into 5 shares of a nominal value of £10 each. The total number of these Gold shares will be 80,000 and at the Meeting to be held on the 25th April you will be asked to agree to the issuing of 16,000 additional shares on the terms set forth in the Circular. The issued Capital will then consist of 96,000 shares, and I am authorised to state that the unissued Capital represented by 104,000 shares will not be issued in part or whole without your sanction.

It is unnecessary at this juncture to deal with the Resolution bringing the paid up value of the new shares to £4 each, as we are advised by our Solicitors that the passing of Extraordinary Resolutions is all that is necessary, and these cannot be proposed until the Resolutions now before you are confirmed as Special Resolutions.

The ancillary Resolutions will be dealt with, therefore, at the Confirmatory Meeting to be held on the 25th April.

I do not think I can say more in explanation of the Resolutions. Nos. 1 and 2. Resolutions Nos. 3 deals with alterations in our Articles of Association which are necessary to enable us to declare a Bonus Dividend out of our Reinsurance Fund and to set it off against the call which is to be made in order to bring the paid up value of the new shares to £4 each.

After the next Annual General Meeting your Directors will recom-

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Some very fine tennis was seen on the Cricket Ground yesterday evening when the Japanese players, fresh from his victories over A. H. Rijnsham and G. Manley entered the final of the Open Championship Singles by beating F. A. Redmond. Mishima deserved his win and it is not at all unlikely that the honour will fall to him of being the tennis champion of Hongkong. He will now meet N. E. Kent in the final and the winner will meet N. E. Kent who is the present champion. In the first set Redmond started well and the games were four to two. Then Mishima got a game and Redmond followed up by making it 5-3 by winning the next game. But from this point onwards the Japanese gave a masterly exhibition of the game and his drives were good and strong. Four games were won by him in succession and he got the set, the games being 7-3.

Redmond again made a promising start in the second set and did some very good work at the net and thereby winning some of Mishima's best shots. Redmond was leading by three games to one. But again the Japanese recovered and by the very accuracy of his placing and the steadiness of his play won game after game till he had won the set by 6-3. The play of the way thought had been very fast and in the third set it was noticeable that both players were feeling the strain. Mishima's powerful drives from the baseline were fewer and these were many all stopped by Redmond at the net. Five games were Redmond's before the Japanese had one. Redmond finally won the set, the games being 6-1.

In the fourth set both players showed more caution. Redmond led by three games to one till the Japanese again began to hit hard and sent in some of his most powerful drives. The feature of these long drives was that they were just as accurate as they were powerful. They proved too much for Redmond who lost the set undisturbed.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

T. Mishima beat F. A. Redmond, 7-3, 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.

In the Club Handicap Doubles, Kent and Jennings beat Hickling and Humphreys. It was a strenuous game and a creditable win for the winners, were giving to their opponents two strokes in every game. In the first set 20 games were played ere a decision was reached. The second set was won by Hickling and Humphreys, 6-4.

THE RESULT WAS:

CLUB HANDICAP DOUBLES.
N. E. Kent and J. S. Jennings (over 30) beat A. D. Humphreys and C. C. Hickling (scr.), 11-9, 1-6, 6-4.

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES, CLASS "A."
I. Forster (recs. 1/8) beat Major Ardoine (recs. 2/8), 6-4, 6-3.

To-day's matches are:

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.
G. Manley and A. H. Rijnsham v. F. A. Redmond and N. E. Kent.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Jealousy was the cause of a Chinese woman's attempt to end her life by jumping into the harbour from a ferry landing yesterday. She was the second wife of a man, and thought that he was neglecting her and paying far too much attention to the No. 1 wife. This had so much preyed on her mind that she resolved she could not go on living without being loved. While crossing the harbour yesterday, she saw last chance to carry out her resolution, and suddenly jumped from the launch. But the time had not yet arrived for her to make an exit from life's stage, and the fall on the launch managed to water her thoughts of brutal bout-boos. When brought before Mr. Orme this morning, she told His Worship that she wanted her husband act the moment she touched the water. She wants to live now, and was sorry for what she did. She promised not to do it again.

The woman's father-in-law, who was in Court, undertook to look after her, and His Worship, after reading the lady a lecture, discharged her with a caution.

mend declaring dividends in Sterling currency, and the addition of Articles No. 108 (b) is to be of exchange should it be deemed desirable. Those who look upon their dividends as a Silver income will realise that as rate of exchange falls the more dollars will they receive for their Gold dividends. Whilst it is obviously impossible to foretell what dividends are likely to be in the years that lie before us, there is every reason to hope we shall be able to maintain the high standard which has obtained for so many years past.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE HON. MR. HOLYOAK WITH-
DRAWS HIS MOTION.

There was a meeting of the Legislative Council this morning. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government presiding. The present were:

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General FRANCIS VIGORS.
The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. A. G. M. FLETCHER.
The Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Mr. C. McL. MESSER, O.B.E.
The Director of Public Works, Hon. Mr. W. CHAPMAN, C.M.G.
The Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. E. R. HALLIDAY, O.B.E.
Hon. Mr. L. C. CHAN.
Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK.
Hon. Mr. C. G. ALABASTER, O.B.E.
Hon. Mr. S. H. DODD.

The Hon. Mr. Alabaster and the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodd were then sworn in and took their seats as Members of the Council.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary then put the following reports on the table: Financial Minutes Nos. 13 to 20, Report of the Finance Committee, Report of the Public Works Committee.

It was then proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the last meeting, which were before the members, should be passed without being read.

His Excellency then nominated the Hon. Mr. Dodd as a member of the Public Works Committee in the place of the Hon. Mr. R. G. SHAW, who had left the Colony, and the Hon. Mr. Alabaster as a member of the Law Committee in the place of the Hon. Mr. E. R. HALLIDAY, who was Acting Attorney-General.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary then placed upon the table the following Extracts from a Treasury Note dated September 30, 1918:

The Chancellor of the Exchequer now reminds the House that the further gifts received have been made to His Majesty's Government, Hongkong. The Legislative Council has voted further gifts in May, 1918, of £250,000 and in August, 1918, of £300,000 as contributions towards the cost of the War.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer recommends that, in order best to meet the desires of the Donors, the sums received in respect of these gifts, except so far as otherwise specified, should be paid into the Exchequer for application towards the general expenses of the War.

My Lords approve.
Their Lordships' thanks have already been conveyed through the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Legislatures and Communities of the Colonies and Dependencies concerned, but their Lordships avail themselves of this opportunity to place upon record their appreciation of the spontaneous and generous contributions towards the expenses of the War.

Let copies be presented to both Houses of Parliament by His Majesty's Command.

The Hon. Mr. Holyoak then put the following motion to the Council: "That arrangements be made at once for the installation of a powerful commercial wireless station, capable of 'broadcasting' direct with Colombo or some other station in Ceylon."

and in speaking to the motion stated, "I submit, Sir, that in these days, there is no further necessity for debate on this subject. It was as early as 1911 that the question of establishing a high powered wireless station in the Colony was brought before the Council. It led to a debate on the subject in February, 1912, when the question of installing Hongkong in the chain of wireless stations round the Empire was thoroughly discussed. The result of that debate was that the Government promised to take the necessary steps, with the result that in the course of time a low powered station was erected."

Hon. Mr. Holyoak, in support of his motion, read extracts from a letter written by the Chamber of Commerce to the Government urging upon them the necessity of the installation of a high powered wireless station, and pointing out the delays occasioned by the continual breaking down of the submarine cables.

The speaker then pointed out how important it was to the interests of British trade that constant telegraphic communication should be kept up with other parts of the world, more especially England, for he continued "Hongkong, small though it may be is one of the most important commercial centres of our Imperial trade."

The question of the delays by the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. was then taken up, and Mr. Holyoak pointed out that owing to the pressure of Government and commercial messages and breakdown in the cables, a very important message was often delayed between 12 and 14 days.

In these days of very strenuous competition, he continued, "it is vital to the interests of trade that we should have communications from the London and other markets. Manila

is in constant daily communication with New York, and Hongkong could not possibly afford to be at the back end of a cable system which can never be relied on."

The Hon. Mr. Dodd, in seconding the motion, stated that as chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, he could assure His Excellency of the need for this proposed station, stating that the delays caused by the pressure of messages, both Government and private were extremely detrimental to commerce.

The Hon. Mr. Lan Chi Pak then spoke very briefly in support of the motion.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in reply to Mr. Holyoak stated as far as the Government were concerned they were entirely in sympathy with the suggestion, and he was sure that the installation would be of a material advantage to Hongkong. "But," he stated, "I would like to recall what was done in this Chamber in October, 1912, when the Hon. Mr. Holyoak moved 'What if it was the intention of the British Government to erect at their own expense a wireless station in the Colony.' This was done and the Hon. Member for the Chamber of Commerce was not correct when he stated that in its place a low powered station had been erected."

His Excellency stated that as they had two stations, he believed that the installation of a high powered station would seriously interfere with the workings of each other.

Because anything definite could be done, he was advised that the experts in the matter would have to be consulted to ascertain whether the installation of a high powered station was feasible, having regard to there being two stations here already.

He trusted that the Hon. Member for the Chamber of Commerce would withdraw his motion until such time as they could communicate with the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and the report of the experts upon the matter.

Hon. Mr. Holyoak then replied that as the matter is of such importance to the Colony, he did not think it right that it should be delayed another three months, owing to the fact that it took a letter at least six weeks to get home, and there would be another six weeks before an answer could possibly be received. The question of delay on the cables of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company had been raised in the Imperial Parliament during the last three months.

With regard to the point raised by His Excellency that the erection of a high powered wireless station would perhaps interfere with the working of each other, it was found nowadays in commercial life, Mr. Holyoak contended that, when it was found that the machinery in use was inefficient it was immediately scrapped, even if it had only been installed for a year, and he considered that the same rule should apply to the existing wireless station, and that a really high powered modern station should be installed.

His Excellency then stated that he believed that there were experts in the Colony who could advise the Colony on the matter within the course of a week or two, and asked the member for the Chamber of Commerce to withdraw his motion.

This Mr. Holyoak agreed to do, and the motion was accordingly withdrawn.

The Hon. Mr. Alabaster then put the questions standing in his name, all of which were answered by the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, and which were as follows:

1. As the introduction and increased use of trams on the Peak footpaths has created a new danger to child life, will the Government hasten the conversion of the corner of waste ground between the Government villas and Mount Kellie Road into a suitable playground?

ANSWER.—The work of conversion was put in hand on the 25th March.

2. Will the Government construct on the unused lot on the north side of the Royal Courts of Justice a pavilion which can be used as a handstand in the evenings and in the daytime as a sun and rain shelter for the amahs and children who now haunt the Cricket Ground and Court Verandahs?

ANSWER.—The Government is unable to erect a handstand at this spot. The provision of a shelter will be considered.

3. What steps is the Government taking before the rainy season commences to save the hill and roadway below the London Mission House at Cheung Chau from being washed away?

ANSWER.—The pathway, where damaged will be repaired by forming a turf bank below it. Water will be diverted from this section of the pathway by forming a turf bank above it. The water will be discharged under the pathway in a properly constructed drain. It is anticipated that these measures will be a sufficient safeguard.

4. What progress has been made in the work of connecting all Police Stations by telephone?

ANSWER.—Cheung Chau Police Station was connected on the 1st April. It is anticipated that Tai O and Tung Chung Police Stations will be connected by the 30th April. The permanent cables for these lines have not yet arrived, and the cables laid have been loaned temporarily by the Military Authorities.

The lines to Lamna and Kab O will be commenced as soon as the lines to Lamna are completed. Owing to depletion of staff the lines cannot all be constructed simultaneously.

When this work is finished, all Police Stations will be connected by telephone.

5. Why has the First Police Magistrate and Coroner been appointed to act as Director of Education in addition to his other duties when there are in the Colony two or three educationalists with previous experience of the office?

ANSWER.—It was considered to be the most suitable appointment. Owing to the war the Government's staff is much depleted, but it is anticipated that it will be possible shortly to make other arrangements for filling the post of First Magistrate.

6. Has the Government made any protest against the arbitrary cancellation without notice of homeward bookings by the "Empresses of Russia, Asia, and Japan" and the "Montecarlo"?

ANSWER.—Yes, telegrams were addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the 31st March and the 1st April.

7. Has the attention of the Government been drawn to the serious lack of sufficient hotel accommodation in the Colony? If so, has the Government done anything to assist visitors to obtain shelter?

ANSWER.—The Government is aware that the hotel accommodation has recently been overtaken, owing partly to the unexpected arrival of a Military Mission. It has received no application for assistance in obtaining shelter.

8. Why have there been no Legislative Council Meetings for about a month?

ANSWER.—It was considered that the business which was ready for transaction was not sufficient in amount, urgency, or importance to justify the summoning of Council.

The Hon. Mr. Holyoak then put the following questions which were standing in his name on the Order for the Day, and which were both answered by the Colonial Secretary:

1. Will the Government appoint a committee of experts to inquire into and report upon—

(a) The condition of the harbour by which vessels enter the Harbour in order to proceed to their buoys or to the existing wharves.

(b) The efficiency, or otherwise, of the present Government dredger the "St. Ernest."

(c) The necessity, or otherwise, of at once ordering a modern dredging plant for constant use in this Harbour.

ANSWER.—The Government, as at present advised, sees no necessity for such a Committee.

If persons who are qualified to express an opinion will give particulars of any dredging which they deem to be required in the interests of the port, the matter will at once be investigated.

2. Has the report and finding of the "Civil Service Salaries Commission" been sent in to the Government yet, and if so, will the Government lay it upon the table for the consideration of the Council?

ANSWER.—The report has been received and has been sent to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for his consideration.

His Excellency then stated that he considered it inadvisable to hold a meeting of the Council when there was so very little to do, and suggested that in future questions should be answered in writing, in order to avoid bringing those members of the Council who were not permanent Members up when it was not strictly necessary. Publicity in the Press would be given to the questions and answers.

His Excellency then stated that although they were never averse from honest criticism, he thought that the Press did not go and consult the different Government Officials enough, otherwise certain statements that have appeared in some of the morning papers would have never been printed. He himself was always in his Office until 1 p.m., and whenever possible, he would always be pleased to answer any enquiries or give any information to certain members of the Press if it was in his power, not that it would always be for publication, but he was sure that by taking this course it would prevent a lot of more or less erroneous statements appearing in the public press, and he was sure that the newspapers would be sure to print exactly what was

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TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED.

WANTED.—For THE CHINESE-ENGLISH SCHOOL OF JAV, TWO RESIDENTIAL MASTERS. Salary (Senior Local) 110 guilders rising 15 annually. Free quarters, food, etc. Free passage. Applicants must be Chinese, and accustomed to Sports. Apply with testimonials up-to-date to TUAN GURU, c/o "CHINA MAIL."

NATIONAL LOAN OF THE THIRD YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC (1914).

SECOND ANNUAL DRAWING OF BONDS.

SUBSCRIBERS to the above Loan are hereby notified that arrangements have now been made to proceed with the redemption of the Loan, and that the Second Drawing of Bonds will take place on 15th May next. The date of payment with a list of the numbers of drawn bonds will be announced in a subsequent notification.

F. A. AGLEN, Inspector-General of Customs, April 10, 1919.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE BONUS of \$16.66 per Share authorised by the Extraordinary Resolution passed on the 28th March, 1919, will be distributed to those persons who are registered on the 30th day of April, 1919, as the holders of the issued shares of the Company.

Such Bonus will, pursuant to the Agreement which the Board has been authorised to enter into, be satisfied, as regards each complete number of three issued shares held, by the allotment of one new share of \$50 each credited as fully paid up.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 19th April, 1919, to WEDNESDAY, the 30th April, 1919; both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. S. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, April 10, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned, have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned),

on
THURSDAY,
April 17, 1919, at 10.30 a.m.,
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Also
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(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
On view day of sale.
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Hongkong, April 10, 1919.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned),

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THURSDAY,
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at No. 2 Ormsby Villas, 39 Granville
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Valuable Household Furniture,
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Comprising—
Teak Hallstands, Side Table, Barometer, etc., Chesterfield Sofa and Arm-chairs, Blackwood Stands and Tables, carpets and rugs, Pictures, a number of Chinese and Japanese Vases, carvings, etc., Dining Room Furniture, Bookcases, including high back chairs, made by Wm. Powell and practically new, crockery, Glass ware, etc., 3-bottle tantalus by Mappin and Webb, Double and Single Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Toilet Tables, Washstands and chest-of-drawers, etc., and one handomely carved oakwood clock, press, Shanghai bath, porcelain lavatory basin, Dover stove and Utensils.

Also
Piano by Robinson Piano Co. (good condition), Electric fittings, Beller, Pot Plants, Stone Roller and one lady's side saddle.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
On view day of sale.
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HUGHES & HUGHES,
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Hongkong, April 10, 1919.

TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO BE SOLD.

PURSUANT to an ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG dated the 7th day of March 1919 made in an Action in the matter of the Estate of HO TSUN SAN alias HO SHU TONG alias HO SAN CHUNG alias HO A SEK alias HO A SEEK alias HO A SIK deceased

BY
MR. GEORGE P. LAMMEET

at his Auction Rooms in Duddell Street,

on
WEDNESDAY,
the 30th day of April, 1919,
at 3 o'clock in the AFTERNOON,

IN TWENTY LOTS
THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

situate and being No. 49 and 51 Hollywood Road, standing on Inland Lot No. 200, Nos. 403 and 406 Queen's Road West, Nos. 5 and 7 Sam To Lane all standing on the Remaining portion of Section F of Inland Lot No. 800, Nos. 51, 53, 137, and 153 Second Street standing on the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 758, Nos. 26, 28 and 32 First Street standing on the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 739 and the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 583, No. 43 Graham Street standing on the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 196, No. 30 Peel Street and No. 23 Gage Street, being respectively Section 2 and Section C of Inland Lot No. 187, Victoria Hongkong.

Lot 1 consists of the two semi-European Houses, Nos. 49 and 51 Hollywood Road held under a Crown Lease having 992 years to run.

Lot 2 comprises Nos. 403 Queen's Road West and No. 7 Sam To Lane.

Lot 3 comprises No. 406 Queen's Road West.

Lot 4 comprises No. 5 Sam To Lane.

Lots 5 & 6 are Nos. 137 and 153 Second Street.

Lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 are all held for a term of 999 years of which 942 years are unexpired.

Lots 7 to 12 inclusive are Nos. 27, 31, 35, 37, 39 and 41 Centre Street, one house for each lot. All are held under a Crown Lease having 942 years unexpired.

Lots 13, 14 and 15 comprise Nos. 51 and 53 Second Street and 32 First Street. These lots also have an unexpired term of 942 years.

Lots 16 & 17 are Nos. 25 and 28 First Street held under a Crown Lease with 938 years unexpired.

Lot 18 is No. 43 Graham Street. This lot has 934 years to run.

Lots 19 and 20 are No. 30 Peel Street and No. 23 Gage Street. They are both held under a Crown Lease having an unexpired term of 930 years. All the above houses, except lot 1 are Chinese houses.

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or
MR. GEORGE P. LAMMEET,
The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 7, 1919.

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POULTRY SHOW 1919.

The above Show will be held on SATURDAY next 12th inst. Dog Judging commences at 3 p.m. sharp.

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G. W. GEGG,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

Hongkong, April 10, 1919.

NOTICE.

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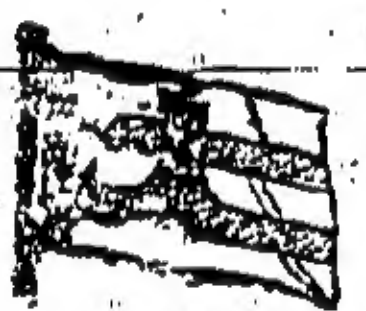
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SAIGON.			
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		CHICAGO MARU	Saturday, 19th April.
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JAPAN PORTS—MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.		KENKON MARU	Saturday, 12th April.
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SWATOW & SINGAPORE	LYAN	April 13, at 10 a.m.
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COBE	SUISANG	FRIDAY, April 11, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HOESANG	SUNDAY, April 14, Daylight
TIENTSIN	CHIPSANG	WEDNESDAY, April 16, Daylight
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	THURSDAY, April 17, Daylight
SHANGHAI	CHOWSANG	FRIDAY, April 18, Daylight
KOBE	CHAKSANG	FRIDAY, April 18, Daylight
MANILA	LONGSANG	FRIDAY, April 18, at 3 p.m.
KOBE	YATSANG	SUNDAY, April 20, Daylight
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	KWANGSANG	SATURDAY, April 19, at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	CHONGSANG	WEDNESDAY, April 23, Daylight

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The house became in such a filthy condition that the Sanitary Authority took action, and as a \$6 fine was not paid nor the house cleansed, the magistrate issued a warrant for the woman's apprehension.

The police went in the early morning, Mrs. Toon was got out of bed, and she was removed in a motor car to Birmingham prison for one month.

AUSTRALIA'S "BEST NEWS."

The Melbourne correspondent of the N.C. Daily News, writing on February 20, says that "any Australian will know what that caption means, namely, that general rains have fallen throughout this country."

About every ten years Australia experiences a drought of greater or less severity, and the whole continent has been having a very bad time for some months past. Even along the eastern coast of Queensland the monsoonal rains, which commence late in December or early in January, had not fallen, while in Victoria severe bush fires in the south and west had destroyed farms, killed stock, and wiped out several small communities. Some human lives had even been lost, and public help was being called for by the homeless and ruined settlers. "While these losses, of course, cannot be made good," continues the correspondent, "the position of the people is greatly improved by the general heavy rains. If these have not restored buildings stock and lives they have at least restored credit, and the farmer with his land and credit and a good seasonable outlook can face the future with confidence. The great pastoral districts have also been blessed, and reports show that even in the interior, where the annual rainfall is seldom more than six and often down to two inches, sufficient rain has fallen to last for many months, while there are indications of more."

MILLIONS AT STAKE.

Another step has been taken in the proceedings in connection with Lord Michelham's will. Some time ago a caveat against the proving of the will was lodged at Somerset House on behalf of "parties interested" shortly after the death of Lord Michelham. The effect of this was to prevent the estate, estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000, from being dealt with without notice to the person entering the caveat. In due course the trustees gave formal warning of their intention to take steps to secure the granting of probate. Captain Jefferson Cohn—who has been living in Paris for some time and was a business friend of Lord Michelham—lodged the caveat, and has now entered an appearance, which is an indication of his determination to contest the will. The next step is for him to file particulars of his case, and then either to take the matter to the courts or abandon his objection. It is stated that he claims to be acting in the interests of a party who benefits less under the latest will than under one which exists in Paris. Lord Michelham made a fresh will last autumn after his return to England from France, where he had a seizure. Except for legacies to servants, he left his fortune to his wife and two sons, but it is understood that under the old will Lady Michelham benefited less, and his elder son the new Lord Michelham, more, than under the new will.

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London via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	*Iyo Maru, 12,300 tons	SATURDAY, 19th April, at Noon.
Melbourne via Manila Zamboanga, Thursday Is., Townsville, Brisbane, & Sydney	*Nikko Maru, 9,600 tons	WED., 23rd April, at 11 a.m.
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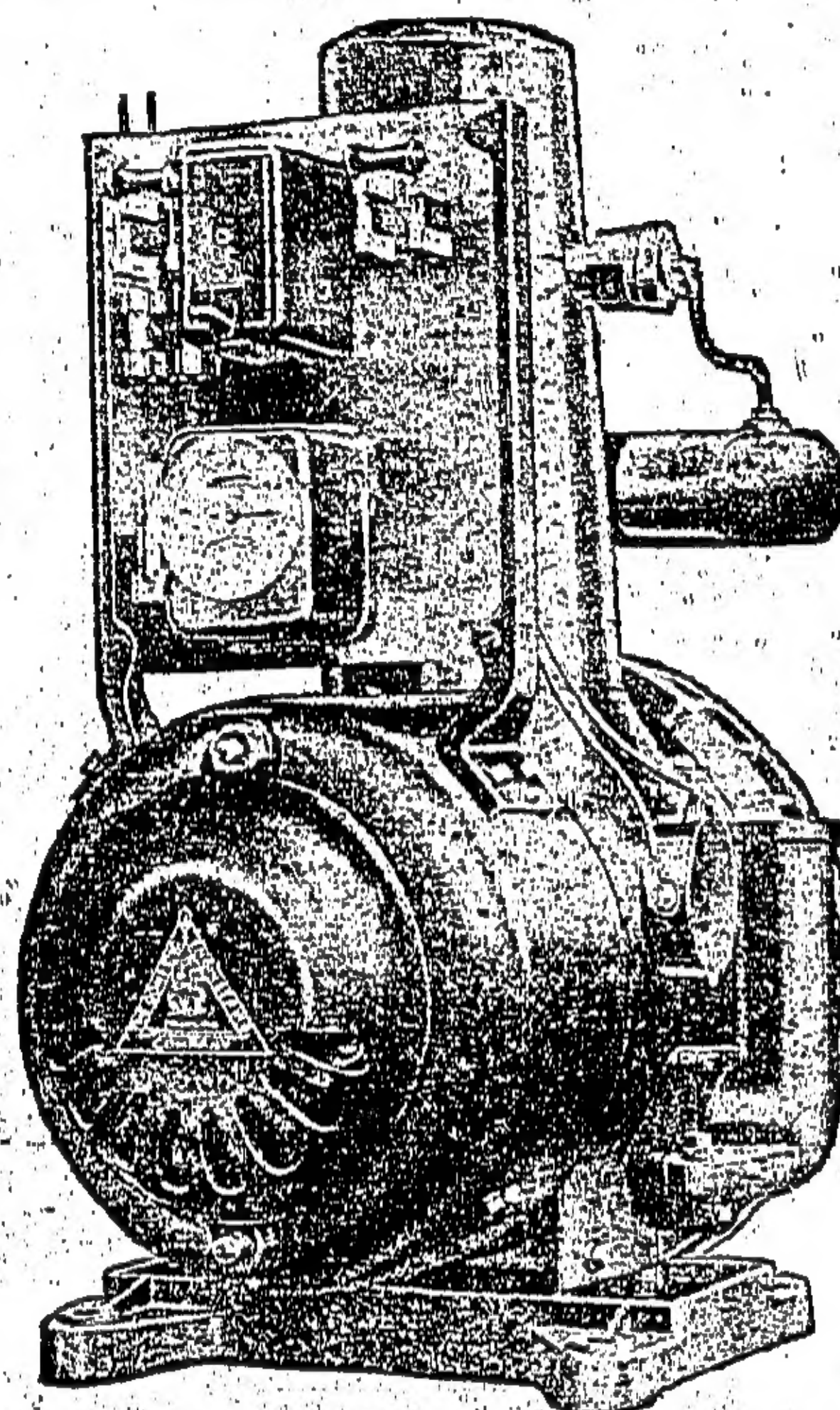
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San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	China	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 13th April
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Nanking	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 19th June
Victoria B.C. & Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Suwa Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 14th May, at 11 a.m.
Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle & Tacoma	Manila Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 14th April
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan, &c.	Empress of Russia	Canadian O.S. Co.	On 1st May
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan, &c.	Empress of Japan	Canadian O.S. Co.	On 14th May
Sydney & Melbourne	Bohno Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 14th April
New York	Nikko Maru	Dai Nippon Kaisha	On 14th April
Australian Ports via Japan	Seiyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 14th May
Australian Ports via Japan	Kyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 14th May
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Kamakura Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 14th April, at Noon
Shanghai	Kwangtung	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 17th April, at Noon
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TRUTH OF THE BIBLE.

DEAN OF LINCOLN'S DISBELIEF.

An animated discussion took place in the Lower House of Convocation, on February 18, in regard to the proposal for amending the baptismal service, exception being taken to the retention in it of allusion to Noah and the Ark. Canon Newbolt asked if they were going to repudiate Christ's words: "As it was in the days of Noah." The Old Testament allusions were frequent in the writings of St. Peter and St. Paul, but it seemed to him that St. Peter and St. Paul would stand very little chance of being listened to in Convocation to-day. The Bible was being attacked openly and insidiously, and if they omitted allusions to the Old Testament they would make it appear that it was not a book to be quoted in a civilised society.

The Dean of Lincoln said the retention of the allusion to the Ark put in his mouth at the most solemn moment of his service an historical statement concerning a story he simply did not believe. ("Oh, oh.") They knew the origin of the story, and from where it was borrowed. ("No.") The prophetic mind told it as it took the earlier story of Eden. He believed in the evolution of Divine truth in the Old Testament, but if they asked if he believed in the Eden story as representing the origin of mankind he said he did not, nor did he believe in the historical truth of the Flood.

The Archbishop of Berkshire said when the holy heart of these things they would say, as they now thought, "The clergy read us things which they themselves do not believe." If the Dean of Lincoln had said before a popular audience anywhere what he had said to them, would not the effect have been to shake the confidence of English people in the Bible? (Hear, hear.)

Canon Arnold said large numbers of men were leaving not only the Church, but Christianity, because they believed the clergy held Old Testament stories on exactly the same lines as the stories of the New Testament.

Another charge brought against them was that the clergy themselves did not believe in some of the Old Testament stories, but they had not the courage to say so openly. It was decided on a vote to agree to the retention of the Old Testament references.

A very large majority decided in favour of the insertion of all "Sole's Day" in the Church Calendar. There was a deep instinct in human nature in favour of it, Canon Baldwin said, and people were thinking a great deal more about their dead than before. Our soldiers in France especially had been struck tremendously by the observance of All Souls' Day. Morbid spiritualism was now making great headway. So strong was the instinct of human nature that the observance of prayer for the dead could not be stopped, but the Church should regulate it.

The Dean of Lincoln said the great movement towards false spiritualism was immensely encouraged by the fact that the Church did not appear to have the courage of its convictions. The Church was losing its less theologically educated members to spiritualism because the Church was not courageous enough to drop a few old Protestant objections and boldly to admit all that was private.

The Dean of Canterbury, who opposed, said an old idea prevailed that Saints were a distinct class from Christians in ordinary life. To introduce a change which would put saints' mothers, fathers, and friends in a secondary class in heaven would be a retrograde step.

A long discussion took place on the retention of the Athanasian Creed in public worship. The committee's report made its use on Trinity Sunday optional in place of the Apostles' Creed. In supporting a proposal to make its recitation obligatory on at least three Sundays in the year, Canon Maclean said that the movement was "a most solemn one" for the Church of England. "We cannot look forward to going down into history into the Convocation, which laid aside one of the three great Creeds," he said.

WHY THE MUSIC-HALLS ARE SINGING. "All the music-halls are singing a song," he added, "the principal line in which is 'To hell with your creeds.' The song shows the beauty of believing what you like. Those who oppose this Creed are actuated by the highest motives, but they are marching with a very mixed assemblage."

This proposition was defeated by 52 votes to 2. Chancellor Hay Alden said he would not repeat the Athanasian Creed without telling its distinct and definite use.

An amendment by the Archbishop of Berkshire that the recital be made obligatory on Trinity Sunday was lost by one vote, 44 voting for and 45 against.

In discussing the proposal to omit the Collect for the King from the prayers and thanksgivings upon several occasions, the Dean of Canterbury pointed out that the Dean of Lincoln had been in each case previously obtained.

(2) That, similarly, clergy of the Church of England may accept invitations to take part in services other than those of the Church, provided.

(3) That such services are of a special character, and not part of the ordinary worship of other denominations.

(4) That the approval of the bishop has been obtained, and

(5) That the services are held in their own churches, and not in those of other denominations.

Ten Commandments. "There never was a time," he said, "when it was more important to bring recognition of authority and obedience to authority before the people. The one great thing the country has to lament to-day is the loss of reverence of the authority of the King. In these days, in which unsettling movements and thought are among the people, I should be sorry to omit anything that will maintain authority in the eyes of the people at large."

Although declaring that there never was a more loyal old Tory, Canon Wood supported the proposal to omit them, because, he said, "We are overclouded with prayers for the King."

LABOUR UNREST. The present industrial unrest was discussed at some length in the Upper House. The Bishop of Peterborough moved:

"That the serious situation which obtains in the industrial world at home, and which, if further aggravated, might go far to rob the nation of the fruits of its victory, calls for drastic action on the part of all whose aim is to establish a new fellowship between those who are engaged in industry. We desire to record our conviction that the root of the difficulty is moral and spiritual; that the problem can only be solved by complete frankness between both sides; by a willingness for new adventures in comradeship on the part of employers (as, for example, in admitting the workers to a larger share in the management); and also a new readiness for conciliation and restraint on the part of the workers. We believe that this will be reached, not as much by economic necessity as in response to a spiritual appeal."

A great reaction, he said, in the temper of the nation when the war was over was inevitable. In the war we had had extraordinary demonstration of the effects of force, and this had captured the minds of the British. But it was this very use of force for material and not moral ends that provoked the war. Having kicked Prussianism out of the front door, it must not be admitted at the back. The Minister of Labour did not properly represent the interests of Labour. The recent Tube strike, if the human aspect of the matter had been considered, might have been avoided. There should be a peace conference to determine the organisation of industry at home.

The Bishop of Lichfield seconded. The Bishop of Ely moved an amendment to substitute the following for the latter portion of the resolution:

"This House earnestly hopes that the organised associations of employers and working-men will co-operate fully with the Government in seeking a permanent solution of the dangerous problem of industrial unrest on lines of justice and sound economy, and pledges itself to exert all its influence in the same direction."

In doing so the Bishop declared that miners lived an isolated life, and did not in the least realise what the effect of their industry had upon a hundred other industries. The conditions of the miner's work condemned him to a habit of irresponsibility, which hardly had a parallel in any other body of organised workers. The miners must stand with the rest of the nation, and they must play the game. "You cannot have an All Labour policy with a 'C'8 monopoly at the bottom," he declared.

The Bishop of Birmingham, seconding, said that there was a desire at the present time among the working-classes to have as little work as possible. Men did not work a full week, because they could earn sufficient for their needs in less than a week. "So long as that idea prevailed there could never be really productive business."

The amendment was incorporated with the resolution, which was approved, co-operating with non-conformists. The Bishop of Winchester proposed:

"That in view of the increasing desire for some opportunities of united fellowship and worship with those who are separated from us, and in order that this desire may be met, without impugning the Church's order and discipline, this House recommends:

(1) That upon special occasions of public importance, as in gatherings for common devotion and mutual edification, ministers and other members of communions separated from the Church of England may, from time to time, be invited to join in speaking and in offering prayer in consecrated buildings, provided:

(a) That in all cases where it is done it is outside the regular and appointed service of the Church;

(b) That the consent of the bishop has been in each case previously obtained;

(2) That, similarly, clergy of the Church of England may accept invitations to take part in services other than those of the Church, provided:

(a) That such services are of a special character, and not part of the ordinary worship of other denominations;

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CORRESPONDENCE.

OUR MISTAKE.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Sir,—This evening I noticed one of your newsboys bearing a *China Mail* placard. On it was one legend in large type, and another in small type. The large type said: "The *China Mail* was a bright paper. That surely was unnecessary; anyone who reads its news columns will concede that much." But the other legend, in largest type, announced to the Colony: "Canadian-Jailed. Is Yama that some man hailing from Vancouver borrowed ten dollars from a person, and the person soon thereafter took him by the throat and said: 'Pay me what thou owest. Not being able to pay back at the time the person caused him to be delivered into the hands of the magistrates, and the magistrates sent him into prison for a month, and fined him twenty dollars or two weeks further imprisonment. It is not for me to comment on the quality of justice as it is dispensed in Hongkong, but I read here this same day that a Chinese girl is given only nine months for chopping an old lady's head with a hatchet, and admittedly with intent to do murder, but succeeding only in inflicting fourteen wounds. That may be the Colony's 'fair. But I do protest, sir, against such a glaring national touch as you have seen fit to give to your announcement of this bit of police court news. Why? We jail enough Englishmen in Vancouver year in and year out to keep the jobs about full. But we jail them as criminals, not as nationals. We never make a news bulletin of such a common occurrence. The nation at a tip on the raw which you have given is not conducive to imperial harmony—if you know what I mean. And while there may have been a false pretence in this case it certainly is not shown by your report thereof. And for the avowal to be a person of all persons' well, according to your bright editorial on God the other night it may be inferred that there is no class of the community living by false pretence so much as the clergy. Yes, bright paper, Mr. Editor, bright things, bright people. I enclose my card."

CANADIAN.

Hongkong, April 9, 1919.

[The *China Mail* hereby apologises to all Canadians. The man who did the poster admits that he was wrong, and promises to be more careful in future.—Ed. C.M.]

THE SUPREME COURT.

THE ALLEGED BREACH OF CONTRACT CASE.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, the hearing was concluded before the Chief Justice, Sir William Reeves, K.C., of the case in which Messrs. A. Lapicque & Co., merchants, Queen's Buildings, claimed from Wo Fat Shing, merchants and ship-owners of No. 81, Wing Lok Street, the sum of \$2,892 as damages for breach of a contract to carry some of the plaintiffs' cargo of wood to Saigon.

The statement of claim showed that the freight payable to the defendants under the contract upon 208 pieces, less 81 pieces actually shipped, was \$1,988.37, and included in the amount which the plaintiffs are alleged to have suffered in damages through the breach of contract the sum of \$8,140 paid to the Societe Anonyme for freight of the timber to Saigon.

Mr. Eldon Foster (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) appeared for the plaintiffs, and the Hon. Mr. G. O. Acheson (instructed by Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon & Harrison) for the defendants.

After hearing the arguments of counsel, His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiffs for the full amount claimed.

places which may be reasonably regarded as extra-parochial the incumbent of the parish has given his consent.

The Bishop said he supposed that all the bishops had had in the last few years applications of different kinds from their clergy as to whether one or the other way of co-operating with Non-conformists was in their view desirable or permissible, and many times it must have crossed their minds that it was rather unsatisfactory that it was a matter of decision by the laity, they should have decided by their own individual judgment or by hearing of what others thought and did. It was, therefore, desirable that a definite form of procedure in such matters should be laid down.

The Bishop of Chesham seconded. The Bishop of Oxford, who offered a "comprehensive opposition to the resolution," said that if what was proposed in the resolution was done, they would find that it took large dimensions, and that the safeguards suggested would not, in working, prove real or effective. He did not think that what was proposed would be recommended by the Non-conformists. Finally he questioned the legality of the proposition.

At this stage the House adjourned.

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INDIAN CONSTABLE COMMITTED.

ATTEMPT TO STEAL GOVERNMENT OPIUM.

Before Mr. Orme at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Charn Singh, P.C. 193, was brought up on remand on three charges of (1) attempted bribery of P.C. 471, (2) criminal trespass into the Government Opium Factory, Morrison Hill Road, Wanchai, at 3 a.m. on April 5, with intent to commit felony, and (3) misconduct as a constable.

P.C. 471 told of prisoner's attempt to bribe him and how a trap was laid for the prisoner, all of which was previously described in the *China Mail*.

Inspector Kent and Revenue Officer Watt told how they concealed themselves in the strong-room on the night of April 5 and caught the prisoner.

His Worship committed the prisoner to the forthcoming criminal sessions.

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Found on board the s.s. *King Shan* with 26 tals of prepared opium concealed in the lining of his clothing. A Chinese was arrested and this morning Mr. Orme fined him \$5,000 or nine months' hard labour.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. *Peris Maru*, for San Francisco, etc., Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Webb Anderson and family, Miss P. E. Bristol, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Crow, Miss B. N. Conger, Mr. J. Carrero, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Clarence and daughter, Mr. Thorolf Davidson, Miss G. Dempster, Mr. J. McKennie Davidson, Mr. C. K. Donnell, Mr. E. F. Forni, Mr. L. E. Gutierrez, Capt. and Mrs. R. A. Goudey and child, Capt. J. Bill, Miss A. Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. King, Mr. Alexandre Kotas, Rev. J. J. Kayser, Mr. and Mrs. Yek Li and family, Miss O. B. Laine, Miss M. S. Leasia, Miss M. D. Lord, and Mrs. W. N. Lemmon and daughter, Mr. Hung Sin Len, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mackay, Mr. R. McKay, Mr. A. Mackay, C. M. Mackay, Sir Wm. Pastor & W. Feist and wife, Rev. J. W. Ransom, wife and child, Miss A. M. Rawcliffe, Miss E. E. Strang, Mr. G. J. Stevens, Mr. Tak Tip and servant, Mr. K. Takart, Mr. J. Valles, Mr. G. Vallina, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wilson, Sir Wm. Wilkinson, Miss W. Wilkinson, Mr. Wm. McG. Wilson, Mr. Sui Yui Wong, and Mr. Shew Wong.

A PARENT'S DUTY.

YOUR boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right, no sign they always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and see that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poison is too dangerous a disease to risk for sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

A FALLEN OFFICER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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right. He was not at all referring to items of news but more particularly to articles and series of articles which have been appearing in some of the papers during the last two or three weeks.

A Bill introduced An Ordinance to authorise the British Traders Insurance Company, Limited to convert its silver capital into gold was then brought down, and it was decided that owing to the importance of the measure, inasmuch as the Company had amalgamated had been given similar privileges, to pass this Bill through all its stages at this Session.

The Bill was brought in by the Hon. Mr. Holyoak and seconded by the Hon. Mr. Dodwell, for its first and second reading, and then the Council went into Committee to take the Bill clause by clause which was done and the Bill came up for its third reading and was passed.

His Excellency then retired and the Hon. the Colonial Secretary took the chair, and the following Financial Minutes were read and approved.

No. 13. \$245 for the Police and Prison Departments.

No. 14. \$9,754 for the Attorney General's Department.

No. 15. \$1,000 in aid of the Vote for Charitable Services.

No. 16. \$275,000 in aid of the vote for Public Works, for Compensation and Resumptions.

No. 17. \$23,000 Harbour Master's Vote for special expenditure for the acquisition and re-arrangement of Mooring in Victoria Harbour.

No. 18. \$2,400 for the public Work Department for the erection of a car shelter at Deep Water Bay, and certain other improvements in that district.

No. 19. \$25,000 Public Works Department for the New Territories Public Health and Buildings Ordinance for Compensation and Resumptions.

No. 20. \$30,000 for the Miscellaneous Services Vote for the Peace Celebration.

After the passing of these minutes the Council adjourned sine die.

HARD COURT TENNIS LEAGUE.

POSITIONS TO DATE.

Kowloon Cricket Club	7	6	1
Chinese Y.M.C.A.	6	5	1
E. M. Dockyard	6	2	4
St. Stephen's College	6	2	4
8th Co. R.G.A.	7	1	6

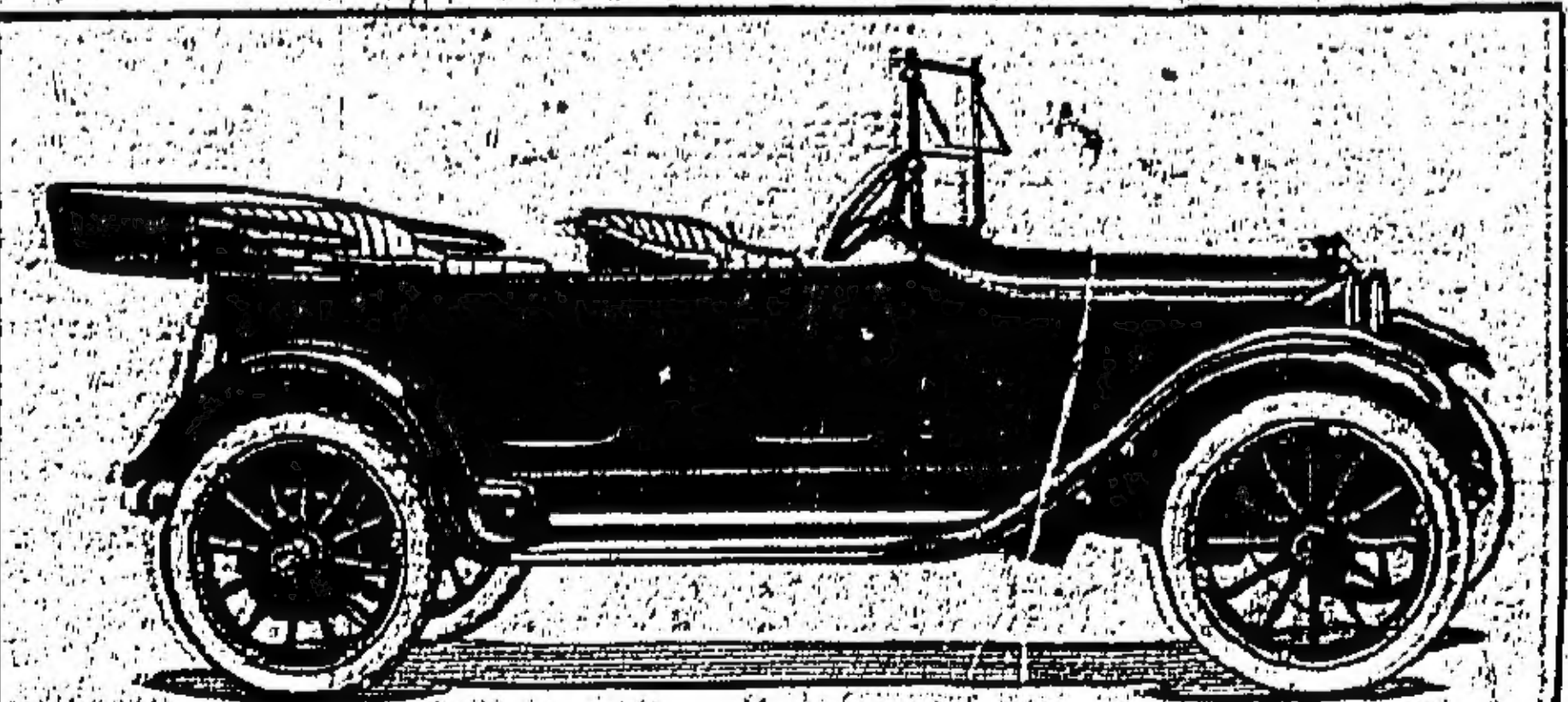
Unplayed matches: Kowloon v. St. Stephen's College, St. Stephen's College v. H.M. Dockyard.

Replayed matches: E. M. Dockyard v. Chinese Y.M.C.A., Chinese Y.M.C.A. v. R.G.A.

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